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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR TIGHTENING SKIN BY
CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF

COLLAGEN TISSUE (As Amended)

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed September 19, 2001. Attached for the Examiner's convenience and reference is a copy of the pending claims. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Title:

Please delete the title and insert –METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TIGHTENING SKIN BY CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF COLLAGEN TISSUE--.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 8, 9, 13-22 and 30.

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A skin treatment apparatus, comprising:
a fluid delivery member, a portion of which is a porous membrane with a tissue interface

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